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- 11. The device of 10 wherein the locking element comprises a lock wire, and wherein the snare release is configured to retract the lock wire.
- 12. The device of claim 10 wherein the snare release comprises a button configured to release the shuttle upon depression of the button.
- 13. The device of claim 12 wherein the suture control comprises a grip portion and a prong extending therefrom, wherein the prong is sized and configured to depress the button of the snare release.
- 14. The device of claim 10 wherein the suture control comprises a grip portion and a chamber in the grip portion, wherein the chamber is configured to at least partially enclose the snare release.
 - **15.** A device for closing a target tissue comprising: an elongate body;
 - a snare loop assembly extending at least partially from the elongate body, wherein the snare loop assembly comprises a snare comprising a snare loop and a suture loop 20 releasably attached to the snare, wherein the snare comprises a proximal snare portion and a distal snare portion, each comprising an engagement portion, and wherein the engagement portion of the proximal snare portion is configured to releasably engage the engagement portion of the distal snare portion; and
 - a restraining sheath positioned to maintain engagement of the proximal and distal snare portions, and wherein when the restraining sheath is withdrawn, the proximal and distal snare portions are spaced apart.
- 16. The device of claim 15 wherein the engagement portion of the distal snare portion comprises a first hook member and

- the engagement portion of the proximal snare portion comprises a second hook member.
- 17. The device of claim 15 wherein the engagement portion of the distal snare portion comprises a slug and the engagement portion of the proximal snare portion comprises a cup member.
- 18. The device of claim 15 wherein the engagement portion of the distal snare portion comprises a cup member and the engagement portion of the proximal snare portion comprises a slug.
- 19. The device of claim 15 further comprising a handle, wherein the handle comprises a snare control.
- 20. The device of claim 19 wherein the snare control comprises a first control operatively connected to the proximal snare portion and a second control operatively connected the restraining sheath.
- 21. The device of claim 20 wherein the first and second controls are configured to be moved together to simultaneously advance or retract the proximal snare portion and the restraining sheath.
- 22. The device of claim 21 wherein the first and second controls are configured such that proximal movement of the second control relative to the first control withdraws the restraining sheath relative to the proximal snare portion to disengage the proximal snare portion and distal snare portion.
- 23. The device of claim 22 wherein the snare control further comprises a removable cover configured to couple the first control and the second control.
- **24**. The device of claim **23** wherein the removable cover comprises one or more magnets which engages a magnet of the first and/or second controls.

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